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Upland cotton ginned in the United States prior to October 1 this season contained a record-high proportion of 1-1/16" cotton, according to the Department of Agriculture, Consumer and Marketing Service. About one-half of the total ginnings was in this length. Middling and higher White grades accounted for the smallest proportion of ginnings through September 30 on record. The Light Spotted grades comprised a much higher percentage of this season's ginnings prior to October 1 than a year earlier. Cotton miking in the 3.5-4.9 premium range accounted for 80 percent of ginnings against 76 percent a year ago. Fiber strength averaged 85,000 pounds per square inch compared with 87,000 pounds last season.

Average Staple Longer

The average staple of upland cotton ginned prior to October 1 this season was 33.4 thirty-seconds inches. This compares with 33.2 thirty-seconds inches in the same period a year ago. The lengths 1-1/16" and longer comprised 68 percent of ginnings through September 30 against 64 percent in the corresponding period last season. Cotton stapling 1-1/16" accounted for 53 percent of total ginnings, the highest percentage on record. The staples one inch and 1-1/32", combined, were equivalent to 20 percent of this season's ginnings through September 30 compared with 17 percent in the same period a year ago. Cotton shorter than 1" accounted for 12 percent of ginnings prior to October 1 compared with 19 percent in the preceding season.

Grade Index Lower

The grade index of upland cotton ginned prior to October 1 this season was 91.4 (Middling White = 100) compared with 93.3 in the corresponding period last season. Middling and higher White grades were equivalent to a record low proportion - 16 percent - of total ginnings through September 30. Strict Low Middling Plus and lower White grades comprised 48 percent of this season's ginnings compared with 53 percent a year earlier. The Light Spotted grades accounted for 33 percent of ginnings through the end of September against 22 percent a year ago.

Micronaire and Fiber Strength

The average mike reading of cotton ginned prior to October 1 this season was 4.5 compared with 4.6 in the same period a year ago. Cotton miking in the 3.5 to 4.9 category accounted for 80 percent of ginnings through September 30 compared with 76 percent last season. The fiber strength of cotton ginned prior to October 1 averaged 85,000 pounds per square inch compared with 87,000 pounds a year ago. Cotton in the 80,000 to 89,000 range comprised 69 percent of ginnings, the same as last season and cotton stronger than 90,000 pounds accounted for 16 percent of ginnings against 28 percent a year earlier.

Total Ginnings

Cotton ginned prior to October 1 this season totaled 1,122,000 bales, according to the Bureau of the Census. This compares with ginnings of 1,609,000 bales to the same date last season and 1,414,000 bales two years ago. Cotton ginned prior to October 1 this season was equivalent to about 11 percent of the indicated 1970 crop against 16 percent a year earlier. Ginnings were running below last season's rate in all but the southeastern area of the belt.

Table 1. Upland cotton in the United States, ginnings and supply, by grade 1/

				F					5		100	-	10000	
Grade	1969	1970 1-30	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969 1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970	1970 from 1969	1969 n
									1,000	1,000			1,000	
1724 +0	Bales	Bales	Pet.	Pet.	Bales	Bales	Pet.	Pet.	bales	bales	Pet.	Pet.	bales	Pet.
G.M. (11)	10	56	*		36	71		*	2	1			7	-50.0
	20,733	17,905	1.9	2.1	26,971	18,894	1.7	1.7	147	123	1.8	1.8	-24	-16.3
	308	151		*	355	151			29	23	0.8	0.8	-14	-20.9
	211,080	125,713	19.6	14.9	328,036	155,176	20.5	13.8	1,498	1,219	18.9	18.1	-279	-18.6
+	8,977	5,394	0.8	9.0	18,200	686 9	1.1	9.0	441	368	5.5	ດ	-73	-16.6
	447,430	267,367	41.6	31.9	637,450	375,508	39.8	33 • 2	2,407	1,977	30.4	29.3	-430	-17.9
	13,333	9,585	1.2	1.1	28,551	14,612	1.8	1.3	297	239	3.7	3.6	-28	-19.5
_	67,301	69,272	6.2	8.2	140,642	122,573	8.7	10.9	109	220	7.6	8.2	-21	-8.51
	254	472	*	0.1	1,869	750	0.1	0.1	20	16	0.3	0.2	4	-20.0
	7,130	6,114	0.7	0.7	15,350	10,980	1.0	1.0	101	72	1.3	1.1	-29	-28.7
_		8			39	8	*		1	1			0	-
G.0. (71)	1,431	613	0.1	0.1	2,176	804	0.1	0.1	=	10	0.1	0.1	ď	-9.1
Light Spotted														
_	16	11	*	*	16	11			7	:			7	-100.0
	1,410	1,713	0.1	0.2	2,624	1,843	0.2	0.2	38	67	0.5	1.0	+29	+76.3
	81,909	64,180	7.6	7.6	142,177	78,792	8.8	7.0	794	654	10.1	6.7	-140	-17.6
М.	134,969	161,729	12.6	19,3	166,114	201,299	10,3	17.9	779	860	8.6	12.8	181	+10.4
L.M. (52)	41,087	66,565	φ. π	7.9	47,260	83,865	5.9	7.5	201	240	2.5	9.0	+36	+19.4
Spotted														
	-	1	-	1		1			1	L		1	-1	-100.0
S.M. (23)	149	155	*	* (196	214	* (*	1 33	0	6.0	0.1	-14	-60.9
	4,757	4,011	4.0	0°0	5,43/	4,390	n. c	5 c	1//	04.	7.0	0 ,	-13/	4.//-
L.M. (53)	10,195	11,523	0.0	p. 4.	10,575	12,605	1.3	1.1	124	38	1.0	0.0	104	-32.1
2/ (14-	134	128		*	154	143			75	38	6.0	9.0	-37	-49.3
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Stained 2/ (15-35)	10	-	•		10	1		- 15	2	വ		0.1	φ	+150.0
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	208	. בלר	*	*	426	173	*	*	0	-		*	-	-50.0
	1 008	663		1.0	3.329	455	0.0	1.0	14	191	0.0	0.0	1 0 1	+14.3
J.M.	655	390	0.1	*	3,087	683	0.2	0.1	8	2	0.1	*	9	-75.0
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•	201	3						20) (11.			0.00
Below Grade 3/	4,374	4,403	4.0	0.0	4,887	5,048	e. 0	4.0	33	32	4.0	0.0	5	0.6
All grades	1,080,135	842,151	100.0	100.0	1,608,358	1,122,048	100.0	100.0	7,955	6,731	100.0	100.0	-1,224	-15.4
	grades.	1 1001	4	9	, t	24	\$	5	200					
3/ Bales that are lower in grade than the lowest official standard for the corresponding color group. * Less than 0.05 percent. ** Less than 500 bales.	percent.	** Less than 500 bales.	n 500 ba	les.	r s calluai o	TOI. CITE COI	respond	10 1 00 8111	group.					

Upland cotton in the United States, ginnings and supply, by staple 1/Table 2.

Supply	1 1969		Pct.		1	-72.9	-62.4	-42.7	-70.3	-50.6	-3.7	+21.8	-17.8	-47.1	-34.8	+16.0	-100.0	,		-15.4
Change in Supply	1970 from 1969	1,000	bales		0	-43	-111	-182	-325	-296	-36	+521	-336	-327	-92	4	-1	0		-1,224
	1970		Pct.		*	0.2	1.0	3.6	2.0	4.3	13.9	43.3	23,1	5.5	2.6	0.4	*	0.1		100.0
ctober	1969		Pct.			0.7	2.2	5.4	5.8	7.4	12.2	30.1	23.8	8.7	3,3	0.3	*	0.1		100.0
Supply to October	1970	1,000	bales		2	16	19	244	137	588	935	2,912	1,556	368	172	59	*	4		6,731
Sur	1969	1,000	bales		2	29	178	426	462	585	971	2,391	1,892	695	264	25	٦	4		7,955
30	1970		Pet.		*	0.1	2.1	7.8	2.1	2.8	17.0	52.8	14.5	0.8	*	*	1	*		100.0
tember	1969		Pct.		0.1	2.7	7.5	5,1	3.5	4.8	12.3	36.7	23.5	3.4	0.4	*	1	*		100.0
Season throngh September 30	1970		Bales		8	1,354	23,152	88,073	23,513	31,857	190,101	590,527	162,951	9,329	193	440	1	550		1,122,048
S. C.	1969		Bales		1,642	43,840	120,826	82,496	57,084	76,472	198,102	588,020	378,141	55,296	6,047	382	1	10		1,608,358
	1970		Pct.		*	0.1	2.3	9.4	2.3	2.7	16.1	47.8	18.2	1.1	*	*	1	*		100.0
-30	1969		Pet.		0.1	3,1	8.1	3.4	0.8	1.1	7.2	36.5	34.0	5.1	0.6	*	•	1		100.0
September 1-30	1970		Bales		Θ	1,017	19,766	79,193	19,614	22,728	135,357	401,999	152,914	9,196	193	58	1	108		842,151
	1969		Bales		953	33,546	87,259	37,243	9,084	12,110	77,384	394,405	366,963	54,789	6,037	362	1	1		1,080,135
	Code			(56)	٠.	(28)	(53)	(30)	(31)	(35)	(33)	(35)	(32)	(36)	(37)	(38)	(36)	(40)		les
Stable				13/16"	& shorter	7/8"	29/32"	15/16"	31/32"	1"	1-1/32"	1-1/16"	1-3/32"	1-1/8"	1-5/32"	1-3/16"	1-7/32"	1-1/4"	& longer	All staples

Preliminary.

Less than 0.05 percent. Less than 500 bales.

Table 3. Specified measures of quality for upland ginnings 1/

1. ************************************	September 1-30	r 1-30	Season through	Season through September 30	Supply to	Supply to October 1
117)	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
Grade index (Mid. White=100)	93.2	91.6	93,3	91.4	93.2	93.0
Average staple, 32nd. inch	33.6	33.4	33.2	33.4	33.7	33.9
Rough preparation, percent	*	*	*			
Tenderable, percent 2/	53,2	48.6	61.4	52.0	1	,
Average mike reading	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.5	10 TO 10	
Average fiber strength (Mpsi)	86.7	83.8	87.1	84.6	ı	ı

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Tenderable for grade, staple and mike in settlement of futures contracts. नेला *

Less than 0.05 percent.

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Table 5. Percentage distribution of fiber strength for upland cotton ginnings prior to October 1, 1970 with 1969 comparisons, by states $\underline{1}/$

age	ngth	1970	Mpsi 81.7	83.3	84.6	81.8	83.2	83.1	81.0	83.8	84.3	4	86.2	93.1	86.4	87.8	84.6
Average	strength	1969	Mpsi 85.0	86.8	84.1	86.8	86.9	86.0	86.1	87.3	86.2	84.5	87.7	0.86	84.0	94.1	87.1
	above	1970	Pct.	-	0.1		1	*	10	1	0.5	1	0.3	4.4	L	7.0	0.1
	100 & 8	1969	Pet.	9.0	4.0	4.0	0.1	1	0.5	0.3			0.7	41.6	-	35.3	6.0
		1970	Pct.	9.0	2.2	0.1	0.8	6.0	10	4.0	0.2	a	4.2	26.5	9.	5.5	4.
	95-99	1969	Pct. 2.9	7.2	2.0	6.9	3.7	2.0	2.8	4.2	1.4		6.5	30.1	1.2	21.5	0.0
	94	1970	Pct. 2.7	0.9	13.5	4.3	5.	1.5	1.5	11.3	10.2	1	20.8	60.3	14.9	12.2	13.5
	90-94	1969	Pct. 10.8	21.1	10.0	19.1	21.9	17.7	15.9	22.1	17.5	14.2	25.2	23.7	6.9	9.5	21.9
(Mpsi)	89	1970	Pct. 22.2	31.0	35.5	21.9	33.2	31.2	13.4	27.7	36.0	•	38.8	9.9	54.8	0.44	34.7
	85-89	1969	Pct. 37.3	38.2	32.1	45.1	46.3	41.9	46.6	46.9	48.0	40.6	43.7	4.2	33.6	14.7	43.9
Strength	84	1970	Pct. 38.7	43.5	34.1	45.9	43.2	48.8	49.0	45.1	39.9	1	27.0		27.1	29.1	34.6
Fiber	80-84	1969	Pct. 38.9	25.6	38.7	22.4	24.8	34.4	30.6	24.5	29.3	29.5	21.3	4.0	46.7	14.7	24.8
o Gage	19	1970	Pct. 31.5	17.4	12.5	26.7	16.1	17.0	33.9	14.8	12.3	1	8.1	2.2	1.4	2.5	13.2
Zero	75-79	1969	Pct. 10.1	6.7	14.6	5.3	2.8	4.0	3.4	2.0	8.	11.2	2.6		11.3	4.4	m m
	74	1970	Pct. 3.7	1.4	2.0	3.8	2.2	9.0	2.0	0.7	1.1	1	0.8				4.1
	70-74	1969	Pet.	0.0	2.1	1.2		1	12	•	1	4.5	•	1	0.2	0.2	0.1
	69	1970	Pct.	0.1	0.1	0.3			0.5	-	0.1	ı		•		1	0.1
	62-69	1969	Pet.	1	0.1	0.5	4.0	-	0.5	-		- 0			1	1	0.1
	Delow	1970	Pct.	= 1					1		1 -	•	*	1.1	1	1	
	64 & below	1969	Pet.	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-1	1	1	1	0.1	ı	*
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1/ Preliminary.

Less than 0.05 percent.

Table 6. Percentage distribution of the grade of upland cotton ginned prior to October 1, 1970 with 1969 comparisons, by states 1/

1	de k 2/	970	92.2	4.06	88.3	6.06	94.3	95.1	94.4	6.56	94.2	94.8	95.6	89.5	100.0	8.76	7.76	1.96	91.4
	Grade index 2	1969 1970	68 3	88.9	88.5	6.06	94.5	6.59	94.9	94.7	94.4	96.2	88.7	92.2	99,3 10	6.3	96.2	96.8	93.3
-	\$ 0		Pet.	9 4.0	1.6		0.1 9	0.1 9	0.1 9		0.1	*	ı	0.6	1		0.3		4.0
	Below Grade	1969 1970	Pct. P	1.8	1.5		0.1	0.1	0.1			•	4.4	4.0		0.1		-1	0.3
	red	1970	Pet. 0.1	2.9	5.2	1.8	2.3	0.3	1.9	2.2	9.0	0.8	24.9	6.1	1	0.7	1.1	1	4.0
	other	1969 1970	Pot. 1.9	8.8	7.6	5.2	1.8	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.1	4.0	8.2	5.0	1	0.3	0.2	1	2.7
	LM (52)	1969 1970	Pct. 1.2	6.0	14.3	6.6	8.9	1.4	1.6	4.0	1.1	1.1	- 1	10.6		0.2	1.2		7.5
		1969	Pct. 8.4	18.2	15.5	10.3	3.0	1.6	1.6	0.3	0.8	0.2	1	3.6	1	1.6	0.5	ı	2.9
red	SLM (42)	1969 1970	Pet.	18.4	1 25.0	5 23 3	12.5	1.4.7	12.2	15.0	12.5	7.6 /	37.5	5 24.0	-	1.5	0.1	1	17.9
Spotted	010		Pct. 14.9	16.8	17.3	16.6	11.0	7.4	6.5	8.3	6.9	2.7	1	13.5	4.3	4.5	2.5	'	10.3
Light	(32)	1969 1970	Pet. 7	6.4	3 2.1	1 3.5	.6 11.2	5 2.7	3 9.5	3 11.3	7 6.3	9 6.9	31.5	7 8.4	-	111.9	3 0.6	10	.8 7.0
			Pet. 0.7	5.0	2.3	8.1	12	1.9	6.3	4.8	2.7	6.8	•	13.7	15.1	3 10.1	H	0.0	8
	SM (22)	1969 1970	t. Pet.	- 0.1	0.1	m	6.0 6.0	1.0 1.0	0.1 -	-	•	ı H	-	.2 0.1	-	0.1 0.3	'	'	.2 0.2
H	**	19	Pc		4	9 1.3				0.1	0.1	1 0.1		8 0.2	1.1				2 0
	SGO+ (60)	1969 1970	Pot. Pot. 3.5 1.2	.3 1.2	2,3 1,4	6.0 -	0.2 0.4	0.7 0.3	0.2 0.3		. 2.0	0.1 0.1	- 0.4	2.0 1.8	1	0.2 0.2	0.1 0.1		.2 1
	-8		-1 10	57	ıc.	13.0	0.	0 6.8	0.	m	4.5	3.3	4	9.		m	1.2 0	15.0	10.9
	LM (51)	1969 1970	Pot. Pot.	2.3 14	13.8 13	22.7 13	5.2 6	10.4 8	7.0 5	1.5 1	5.4 4	1.7 3	27.8	11.4 13	1.1	3.4 1	2.7 1	- 15	8.7 10
	_		•I m	2.4	0.9 1	1.3 2	1.6	0.6	1.0	0.3	1.5	0.5	2	1.1	-	0.1	0.1	,	1.3
	LM+ (50)	1969 1970	3.6 8.8	1.0	1.7		1.2	4.0	9.0	1.4	8.0	9.0	0.4	2.2	1	0.2	1.1		1.8
	M 1)		Pet. 53.5	34.3	31.0	39.3	31.9	46.5	41.1	57.6	52.4	51.1		1.92		22.7	25.7	37.1	33.5
Whi te	SLM (41)	1969 1970	Pet. Pet.	22.9 34.3	25.0 31.0	19.5	36.4 31.9	53.6 46.5	44.8 41.1	62.4	55.4 52.4	48.0	39.7	29.5 26.1	7.6	32.8	42.4 25.7	48.8	39.8
Wh	SLM+ (40)	1970	Pct.	4.0	0.3	1	1.4	6.0	6.0	9.0	1.0	0.3		4.0	-1	1.4	0.7		9.0
	SI (4	1969 1970	Pet.	0.2	0.9	-1	0.8	4.0	9.0	0.5	1.2	1.0	4.0	1.3	1	1.4	7.6	9.9	1.1
	M (31)	1969 1970	Pct. 9.4	10.5	4.0	7.0	25.0	19.0 24.6	23.5	11.1	22.2 18.7	25.2	6.1	7.0	48.2 100.0	58.5	65.8	32.9	13.8
		1969	Pct.	14.8	10.6	15.3	23.9	19.0	27.5	19.7	22.2	36.4	7.9	16.4	48.2	44.3	39,3	35.8	20.5
	(30)	1969 1970	Pet.	•	•		0.1	•	*	1	1	1	1	٠	01		1		•
		+	Pot.	1	*	1		*	*	1	5 0.1	*	'	*	3.2	1	•	-	•
	SM (21)	1969 1970	1.3	0.5	5 0.6	u I	ε, ε, ο,	ත හ	2 2.9	5 0.2	1 1.6	0 1.3	'	8 0.2	4	0 1.2	2 2.2	2 15.0	7 1.7
		196	Pet.	6.0	1.5	1.3	2.9	4.3	4.2	0.5	1.1	2.0		0.8	19.4	1.0	. 0.2	2.2	1.7
	State		N. C.	ω 0	Ga.	Fla.	Ala.	Miss.	Tenn.	Mo.	Ark.	La.	Okla.	Tex.	N. M.	Ariz.	Calif.	Other	U.S.

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Middling White equals 100. • Less than 0.05 percent.

Table 7. Percentage distribution of the staple of upland cotton ginned prior to October 1, 1970 with 1969 comparisons, and total ginnings, by states 1/

ngs	1970	Bales	29,697	74,821	91,294	2,200	114,043	111,284	30,205	15,739	58,565	41,075	197	523,616	226	18,676	10,270	140	1,122,048
Total upland ginnings	1969	Bales	4,833	20,240	46,033	841	71,510	207,291	87,322	79,918	182,378	117,765	428	747,957	1,174	21,012	19,112	244	1,608,358 1
Average staple 2/	0261 6961		34.2 34.1	34.3 34.4	33.6 33.4	33,5 33,5	33.9 33.7	34.5 34.3	34.0 33.9	34.9 34.5	35.0 34.5	34.3 34.3	33.4 31.2	31,8 32,8	36.8 36.0	34.7 34.2	34.7 34.5	34.0 34.0	33,2 33,4 1,
1-3/16" (38)	1	Pet. Pet.	1	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	1	* 0.2	9.6	1	1	1	*
1-5/32" (37)	1969 1970 1	Pct. Pct. F	1		1	1	1		1	0.1	1.2 -	*	1	* * *	67.5 12.4	- 9.0	1	1	* *
1-1/8" (36)	1969 1970	Pct. Pct. F	1.6 0.4	2.7 3.7	0.5 0.1	1.0 -	0.8 0.3	2,5 1,3	1.2 0.1	6.8 0.9	20.9 3.1	0.5 0.6	11.9 -	0.2 0.1	17.2 75.2 6	7.3 0.1	2,7 14.5	1	3.4 0.8
1-3/32" (35)	1969 1970 1	Pct. Pct. P	21.4 10.5	33.0 34.6	7.8 6.2	10.5 1.3	17.0 7.5	50.5 36.2	15.2 6.9	77.7 51.4	54.8 47.9 2	29.1 28.7	23.8 - 1	2.0 4.1	5.5 12.4 1	57.8 26.8	67.4 28.9	- 4.6	23.5 14.5
1-1/16" (34)	1969 1970	Pct. Pct. P	70.2 84.6 2	59.7 56.2 3	52.6 34.2	31.9 51.6 1	52.6 52.3 1	43.3 55.9 5	67.4 76.7	15.1 47.1 7	22.4 46.6 5	66.7 69.6 2	15.9 24.9 2	29.2 50.4	1	31,3 70,6 5	29.8 53.9 6	77.4 100.0	36.7 52.8 2
1-1/32" (33)	1969 1970 1	Pct. Pct. F	6.5 4.5 7	4.6 5.4 5	34.9 50.6 5	47.6 46.2 3	27.1 37.6 5	3.6 6.5 4	5,3 15,9	0.2 0.5 1	0.7 2.4 2	3.7 1.1 6	4.0 6.1 1	17.8 15.3 2	1	2,8 2,1 3	0.1 2.4 2	13.2 - 7	12.3 17.0 3
1" (32)	1969 1970	Pot. Pot. E	0.3	* 0.1	3,3 8,6 3	9.0 0.9 4	2.4 2.1 2	0.1 0.1	0.8 0.4 1	0.1 -	*		32.5 -	9.6 4.0 1	1	0.2 0.4	e.0		4.8 2.8 1
31/32" (31)	1969 1970 1		1	1	0.8 0.3	1	0.1 0.2		0.1 *	- 0.1		*	11.9 38.0 3	7.5 4.4	1	1	1	1	3,5 2,1
15/16" (30)	1		1	1	0,1 *	1		1	1	ı	1	ı	- 6.1 1	11.0 16.8	1	1	1	1	5.1 7.8
29/32" (29)	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		- 18.8	16.2 4.4 1	1	1	1	1	7.5 2.1
7/8" (28)		Pot. Pot. P	1.	1	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	- 6.1	6.1 0.3 1	1	1	1	1	2.8 0.1
State	1		N. C.	S. C.	Ça,	Fla.	Ala.	Miss.	Tenn.	Mo.	Ark.	La.	Okla.	Tex.	N. M.	Ariz.	calif.	Other	u. s.

1/ Preliminary.
2/ Expressed in thirty-seconds of an inch.
* Less than 0.05 percent.

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Table 8. Percentage of ginnings reduced in grade, by specified causes, prior to October 1, 1970 with 1969 comparisons, by states $\underline{1}/$

				Grade re	ductions			
State	Gr	ass	Ban	ck	Other	causes	Total	reductions
	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970	1969	1970
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
North Carolina	16.6	14.6					16.6	14.6
South Carolina	17.6	14.0	0.2	6-1		-	17.8	14.0
Georgia	12.5	7.3		0.2			12.5	7.5
Florida	26.3	13.0	-	-	-	0.4	26.3	13.4
Alabama	5.6	8.0	-	*	*	*	5.6	8.0
Mississippi	7.1	11.0	*	0,1	0.1	0.1	7.2	11.2
Tennessee	10.2	6.5		0.2			10.2	6.7
Missouri	1.6	2.1	1-5	4-1		8- B	1.6	2.1
Arkansas	1.9	4.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	*	2.1	4.6
Louisiana	2.2	5.9	*	1-1	1 -	1-19	2.2	5.9
Oklahoma	-	6.1	-	3 4 5	-	3- 8	4	6.1
Texas	1.9	3.8	0.9	2.6			2.8	6.4
New Mexico	5.4	-		- 5	1 -	-	5.4	-
Arizona	8.7	3.0	0.2	2 - 5	0.1	, y- F	9.0	3.0
California	5.2	2.1	*	y - 5		0.7	5.2	2.8
Other		15.0	1.5	-	B	4		15.0
United States	3.9	6.3	0.4	1.3	*		4.3	7.6

^{1/} Preliminary.

^{*} Less than 0.05 percent.